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20 July 1959

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Colonel White,  
Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Sheldon, [REDACTED]

MR. DULLES:

a. Stated that over the weekend he had a phone call from Gordon Arneson saying that Loy Henderson was sending a dispatch to all Embassies which, in brief, said that the State Department Political Officers had been failing to do an adequate job of political reporting and that CIA representatives had been usurping their functions in this field. Henderson's dispatch further stated that this situation must be reversed. Mr. Dulles said he understood that the cover sheet used to coordinate this dispatch in the Department indicated that the dispatch had his (DCI's) approval. He stated that he thoroughly disapproved of such a dispatch and in fact had not seen it at all and that he intended to vigorously oppose any such message being sent out in this fashion. He expressed a willingness to sit down and talk over the problem with appropriate State Department officials and commented that any message which went out on this subject should emanate from the Secretary of State himself rather than from Loy Henderson's office. In this connection, he referred to a cable from [REDACTED] outlining a lengthy conversation [REDACTED] had with [REDACTED], and stated he wished to have a report of all facts surrounding this meeting. Mr. Helms undertook to furnish a report on this to the Director.

b. Stated that he had received and read the first section of Governor Harriman's full notes on his trip to the Soviet Union. The Director pointed out that there would probably be another five or six installments of these notes forthcoming as they are prepared by [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] and forwarded to Governor Harriman for his review and approval. He noted that he had sent a message through our [REDACTED] Station asking [REDACTED] to come to Washington after completion of these notes, and with the approval of Governor Harriman, for oral discussions with appropriate U. S. officials. He asked that Mr. Sheldon look over the Governor Harriman notes and recommend what distribution should be made of them, or portions of them, within the intelligence community.

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25X1 c. Referred to an interesting cable which Mr. Kirkpatrick had sent from [ ] and asked Mr. Helms to take the necessary action thereon.

25X1 d. Discussed briefly the international telephone call which Mr. [ ] had made to the [ ] and stated he wanted the circumstances investigated thoroughly and a recommendation made as to whether or not we should issue a CIA-wide regulation covering such activities. Mr. Helms pointed out that the DD/P has its own regulation covering this type of situation and that he and Mr. Bissell have a memorandum in preparation which will serve as a brief for discussions and further exploration with Mr. Amory on this problem. 25X1

25X1 e. Referred to a cable from [ ] requesting a [ ] 25X1  
25X1 [ ] Mr. Bissell undertook to have a memo prepared on this which the Director can take up at the forthcoming Special Committee meeting on Wednesday.

25X1 f. Referred to a conversation he had with [ ] 25X1  
25X1 over the weekend in which [ ] strongly urged forward-looking joint military planning between the [ ] 25X1  
25X1 the Departments of Defense and State have been reluctant to become too involved in this type of planning but the Director generally favors it. Mr. Bissell also expressed himself as in favor of joint planning on [ ] and thought that [ ] should be included in such planning. Mr. 25X1  
25X1 Bissell undertook to prepare a briefing paper for Mr. Dulles to mention at the forthcoming Special Group meeting on Wednesday and also said he would send up for the Director's reperusal the [ ] paper 25X1  
25X1 prepared on this subject several weeks ago.

